House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 17 public bills, H.R. 3269–3285; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 61; and H. Res. 663–664, 666 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H.R. 22, to amend chapter 89 of title 5, United States Code, to allow the United States Postal Service to pay its share of contributions for annuitants' health benefits out of the Postal Service Retiree Health Benefits Fund, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–216);

H. Res. 665, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 2920) to reinstitute and update the Pay-As-You-Go requirement of budget neutrality on new tax and mandatory spending legislation, enforced by the threat of annual, automatic sequestration (H. Rept. 111–217).

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein she appointed Representative Salazar to act as Speaker Pro Tempore for today.

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Recess: The House recessed at 11:33 a.m. and reconvened at noon.

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Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures which were debated on Monday, July 20th:

Recognizing the 40th anniversary of the Food and Nutrition Service of the Department of Agriculture: H. Con. Res. 164, to recognize the 40th anniversary of the Food and Nutrition Service of the Department of Agriculture, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 422 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 596;

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Authorizing the designation of National Environmental Research Parks by the Secretary of Energy: H.R. 2729, amended, to authorize the designation of National Environmental Research Parks by the Secretary of Energy, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 330 yeas to 96 nays, Roll No. 597; Pages H8445-46

Providing for a program of research, development, and demonstration on natural gas vehicles: H.R. 1622, amended, to provide for a program of research, development, and demonstration on natural gas vehicles, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 393 yeas to 35 nays, Roll No. 598; Pages H8446-47

Supporting the goals of National Dairy Month: H. Res. 507, amended, to support the goals of Na-

tional Dairy Month, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 428 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 599;

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Recognizing the establishment of Hunters for the Hungry programs across the United States and the contributions of those programs' efforts to decrease hunger and help feed those in need: H. Res. 270, to recognize the establishment of Hunters for the Hungry programs across the United States and the contributions of those programs' efforts to decrease hunger and help feed those in need, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 418 yeas to 1 nay, Roll No. 600;

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Commending the Bureau of Labor Statistics on the occasion of its 125th anniversary: S. Con. Res. 30, to commend the Bureau of Labor Statistics on the occasion of its 125th anniversary, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 421 yeas to 2 nays, Roll No. 601;

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Recognizing the historical and national significance of the many contributions of John William Heisman to the sport of football: H. Con. Res. 123, to recognize the historical and national significance of the many contributions of John William Heisman to the sport of football, by a ½3 yea-and-nay vote of 423 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 602;

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A Child Is Missing Alert and Recovery Center Act: H.R. 1933, to direct the Attorney General to make an annual grant to the A Child Is Missing Alert and Recovery Center to assist law enforcement agencies in the rapid recovery of missing children, by a ²/₃ yea-and-nay vote of 417 yeas to 5 nays, Roll No. 603; and

Korean War Veterans Recognition Act: H.R. 2632, to amend title 4, United States Code, to encourage the display of the flag of the United States on National Korean War Veterans Armistice Day, by a 2/3 yea-and-nay vote of 421 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 604.

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Recess: The House recessed at 4:18 p.m. and reconvened at 4:29 p.m. **Page H8448**

Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer: Representative Nunes announced his intent to offer a privileged resolution.

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Suspension: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measure:

Approving the renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003: H. J. Res. 56, amended, to approve the

renewal of import restrictions contained in the Burmese Freedom and Democracy Act of 2003.

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Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Extending the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project: H.R. 2938, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project; Pages H8449-51

Recognizing the need to continue research into the causes, treatment, education, and an eventual cure for diabetes: H. Res. 69, to recognize the need to continue research into the causes, treatment, education, and an eventual cure for diabetes;

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Lim Poon Lee Post Office Designation Act: H.R. 3119, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 867 Stockton Street in San Francisco, California, as the "Lim Poon Lee Post Office";

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Supporting the goals and ideals of "National Children and Families Day": H. Res. 534, to support the goals and ideals of "National Children and Families Day";

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Conrad DeRouen, Jr. Post Office Designation Act: H.R. 2972, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 115 West Edward Street in Erath, Louisiana, as the "Conrad DeRouen, Jr. Post Office"; Page H8464

Congratulating the 2008–2009 National Basketball Association Champions, the Los Angeles Lakers, on an outstanding and historic season: H. Res. 566, to congratulate the 2008–2009 National Basketball Association Champions, the Los Angeles Lakers, on an outstanding and historic season; and

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Honoring the life and accomplishments of Harry Kalas for his invaluable contributions to the national past-time of baseball, the community, and the Nation: H. Res. 350, to honor the life and accomplishments of Harry Kalas for his invaluable contributions to the national past-time of baseball, the community, and the Nation. Pages H8466-68

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H8418.

Senate Referrals: S. Con. Res. 11 was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs and S. 951 was held at the desk.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Nine yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H8445, H8446, H8446–47, H8447,

H8455, H8455–56, H8456–57, H8457 and H8457–58. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 11:47 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DAIRY INDUSTRY'S ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy and Poultry continued hearings to review economic conditions facing the dairy industry, Part II. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

DETAINEE TERRORISM COMMUNICATIONS INFORMATION

Committee on Armed Services: Ordered reported, as amended, H. Res. 602, Requesting that the President and directing that the Security of Defense transmit to the House of Representatives all information in their possession relating to specific communications regarding detainees and foreign persons suspected of terrorism.

DEFENSE ACQUISITION WORKFORCE

Committee on Armed Services: Defense Acquisition Reform Panel held a hearing on shaping a workforce for today's acquisition environment that can meet DOD's needs. Testimony was heard from Shay Assad, Director, Defense Procurement Acquisition Policy, Acting Deputy Under Secretary, Acquisition and Technology, Department of Defense; and public witnesses.

STUDENT AID AND FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY ACT OF 2009

Committee on Education and Labor: Ordered reported, as amended, H.R. 3221, Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2009.

MONETARY POLICY AND THE ECONOMY

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing on monetary policy and the state of the economy. Testimony was heard from Ben S. Bernanke, Chairman, Board of Governors, Federal Reserve System.

TOO-BIG-TO FAIL INSTITUTIONS

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing entitled "Systemic Risk: Are Some Institutions Too Big to Fail and If So, What Should We Do About It?" Testimony was heard from Alice M. Rivlin, former Director of OMB and CBO; and public witnesses.

ELECTRIC GRID SECURITY

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats, Cybersecurity, and Science and Technology held a hearing "Security the Modern